

Seminar

Strategies for integrating intercultural learning in student mobility

The IEREST project

The seminar is part of the **IEREST** project (**Intercultural Education Resources for Erasmus Students and their Teachers**). Funded by the European Commission, IEREST aims at developing, testing and disseminating an **Intercultural Path** (namely, a set of teaching modules) to be provided to Erasmus students before, during, and after their experience abroad, in order to encourage learning mobility and to support students in benefiting as much as possible from their international experiences in terms of personal growth and intercultural competencies.

The seminar

Every project faces the challenge of making a lasting impact beyond the project cycle itself. For instance, in the case of IEREST, one strategy has been to explore ways of integrating the intercultural learning modules within the regular activities of HE institutions. Another strategy has been to actively involve students, teachers, and international officers from outside the project consortium. During this one-day seminar, representatives from the current IEREST project and from several past European projects on intercultural education will exchange views and experiences with the participants in order to identify the key to securing more sustainable project results in this field.

Language of conference

English.

Registration and conference fee

- All participants should register for the seminar on the IEREST website **by Monday 25th May 2015**.
- Please note that there is **no participation fee** associated with this event thanks to co-financing by the European Commission.

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Programme

- 9.00** Arrival and Registration
9.15 Welcome and overview of the day
Bart Van Den Bossche, KU Leuven
Ana Beaven, University of Bologna
- 9.30** The IEREST project: Looking to the future
Basil Vassilicos, KU Leuven
- 10.00** IEREST strategies for making a lasting impact
- 1. Mainstreaming: Integrating IEREST in regular academic programs and mobility tracks**
Jan Van Maele, KU Leuven
 - 2. Multiplication: Building an IEREST ally partner network**
Sara Ganassin, Durham University
 - 3. Stretching: Making IEREST transdisciplinary**
Claudia Borghetti, University of Bologna
- 11.00** Coffee Break
11.30 Experiences and legacy from past intercultural education projects
- 1. ISBI (Integral Student Support in Internationalisation, 2010-2012)**
Inge Vervoort, Thomas More Kempen
 - 2. CEFcult (Online assessment of intercultural communicative competence, 2009-2011)**
Kamakshi Rajagopal, Open Universiteit
- 12.30** Wrap-up and look ahead
Ana Beaven, University of Bologna
- 13.00** Lunch
14.30 Dialogue tables on exploitation strategies
- 1. Strategy 1: Mainstreaming**
Neva Čebren, Univ of Primorska
 - 2. Strategy 2: Multiplication**
John Osborne, Univ de Savoie
 - 3. Strategy 3: Stretching**
Luisa Bavieri, University of Bologna
- 15.30** Roundtable "Towards recommendations for project exploitation"
Facilitator: Roger Janssens, KU Leuven
Participants: Miguel Gallardo (AEGEE-Europe), Irina Golubeva (AEDE-Hungary), John Osborne (Université Savoie Mont Blanc, Chambéry), Bart Van Den Bossche (KU Leuven), Inge Vervoort (Thomas More Kempen), a representative from the European Commission (EACEA)
- 16.30** Concluding comments
Jan Van Maele, KU Leuven
- 17.00** Farewell drink

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